



**Minutes for Meeting of
Thursday, September 25, 2003**

Item-1: Call to Order.

Chairwoman Dorothy Smith called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Item-2: Roll Call.

Present – Chairwoman Dorothy Smith, Commissioners Charles H. Dick, Jr., Edward F. Kolker, Dorothy Leonard, April Riel, Karen Thomas-Stefano, and Gregory Vega.

Staff – Executive Director Charlie Walker, Deputy City Attorney Rick Duvernay, Legal Assistant Steve Ross, Investigator Stacey Fulhorst, Executive Secretary Janet MacFarlane.

Chairwoman Smith recommended that Item 6, Commissioner Comment, and Item 7, Executive Director Comment, be reversed.

Motion: Amend Agenda to Reverse Items 6 and 7

Moved/Seconded: Leonard/Dick

Vote: Unanimous

Item-3: Reporting Results of Closed Session

Chairwoman reported the results of the Closed Session Meeting of September 11, 2003, as follows:

Item 1: Conference with Legal Counsel (3 potential matters)

Case No. 2002-43

Motion: Allow Executive Director to enter into a modification to stipulated agreement.

Moved/Seconded: Leonard/Vega

Vote: Unanimous

Excused: Riel

Case No. 2003-14

Motion: Dismiss

Moved/Seconded: Stefano/Leonard

Vote: Unanimous

Excused: Riel

Third Item Removed from Agenda

Item 2: Conference with Legal Counsel

Case No. 2003-31

Motion: Dismiss

Moved/Seconded: Leonard/Kolker

Vote: Unanimous

Excused: Riel

Item-4: Approval of Commission Minutes.

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2003.

Motion/Second: Kolker/Vega

Vote: Unanimous

Item-5: Non-Agenda Public Comment.

None.

Item-7: Executive Director Comment.

Charles Walker announced his resignation as Executive Director of the Ethics Commission effective October 2, 2003. He thanked and acknowledged the Commission and staff for its work and support during his tenure.

Item-6: Commissioner Comment.

All commissioners individually commented on the achievements, integrity and leadership that Mr. Walker displayed during his two years as Executive Director of the San Diego Ethics Commission.

Item-8: Deputy City Attorney Comment.

Deputy City Attorney Rick Duvernay reported on the request for continuance at the Rules Committee meeting of September 17, 2003, to the proposed revisions to ECCO. He explained the City Attorney's office has sent a letter to the FPPC

requesting an advice letter in order to clarify the Council's ability to consider and vote on the ECCO revisions.

Item-9: Appointment of Personnel Ad Hoc Committee with respect to Recruitment and Employment of Ethics Commission Executive Director.

Chairwoman Smith indicated Dorothy Leonard and Greg Vega had agreed to serve on the ad hoc committee with herself as ex-officio member.

Motion: Appoint Dorothy Smith, Dorothy Leonard, and Gregory Vega to Personnel Ad-Hoc Committee

Moved/Seconded: Dick/Stefano

Vote: Unanimous

Item-10: Adjournment.

Chairwoman Dorothy Smith adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 5:40 p.m.

Dorothy L. Smith, Chairwoman
Ethics Commission

Janet MacFarlane , Executive Secretary
Ethics Commission

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